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Cc: Durno, Mark[durno.mark@epa.gov]; Ben Ranger[Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]; Harold Harrington[ualocal370@comcast.net]
From: Scott Smith
Sent: Wed 8/10/2016 12:38:20 PM
Subject: Important Follow Up / FW: Workplans for VA Tech
[DBP Workplan.pdf](#)
[VA Tech Lead Testing Round 1 Workplan.pdf](#)
[VA Tech Lead Testing Round 2 Workplan.pdf](#)
[Smith E-mail Exchange MI-DEQ-EPA 03-20-16.pdf](#)
[Smith E-mail to CDC - EPA 05-08-16.pdf](#)
[Marc Edwards E-mail 05-19-16.pdf](#)

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Nancy,

Thanks for this information.

In the interest of putting together a proper timeline of events including but not limited to what was tested and when and the remaining list of outstanding items and questions to be answered, I have provided the following in this e-mail:

1. Below the e-mail you sent this morning I have added below your e-mail the chain of e-mails that set forth the \$125,000 provided to VA Tech by the EPA to date. These e-mails below still have unanswered questions as to how these funds are used and the flow of funds by and between EPA to VA Tech and then to Marc Edwards and then to Flintwaterstudy.org and others.
2. Note the first 3 attachments on this e-mail were received by me from the EPA this morning. I have also attached e-mail exchanges between me and MI-DEQ / EPA / CDC from March 20, 2016 and May 8, 2016. This will help set forth the timeline and the questions raised about the status of the detailed testing reports from EPA, VA Tech, etc. that can be compared to the ALS Environmental detailed lab reports already provide by me / Water Defense to the EPA, other agencies, and the residents. Note that I did not send all the attachments with these e-mails but can send them along as necessary if anyone can't locate the original e-mails in the review process.
3. Here is a link to the comprehensive Water Defense information including but not limited to all detailed testing reports from ALS Environmental: <https://flintwaterdefenseinfo.org>
4. When comparing the Water Defense information provided in this link it appears that Flintwaterstudy.org / VA Tech / Marc Edwards have misrepresented facts after receiving \$125,000 in funds from the EPA. For example, the last attachment I added to these e-mail is a communication from Marc Edwards to a business associate of mine that has nothing to do with my work with Water Defense in Flint. This e-mail speaks for itself and Marc Edwards makes false allegations against me of trying to market a plastic material in Flint after Marc Edwards / VA Tech / Flintwaterstudy.org received \$125,000 in funds from the EPA.
5. As to your attachments on the EPA funded work plan sent today, it appears that VA Tech is not testing for lead nor particulate lead in water heaters. Please correct me if I am wrong.
6. Furthermore, there is confusion surrounding the testing of hot water in showers/baths and water heaters for the full spectrum of chemicals including but not limited to DBP's, metals, and other volatile chemicals prior to the testing done by me / Water Defense. I have repeatedly asked MI-DEQ, CDC, EPA, and those paid by the EPA and State of MI (Marc Edwards, VA Tech, Flintwaterstudy.org) for their detailed reports to compare to our ALS Environmental reports, but received nothing. Also, note the Flint residents have confirmed that they have not received detailed testing reports other than those from Water Defense.

7. To be clear, prior testing that may have been done by the agencies (State or Federal) and/or those paid by the agencies for DPB's or any other chemicals at water treatment facilities is not the same as the testing I did on behalf of Water Defense for the full spectrum of chemicals for water as it enters a home, water heaters, and hot water in showers/baths. This is why I attached the prior e-mails of March 20, 2016 and May 8, 2016 so there is absolute clarity on these important points.

Thanks and I look forward to our continued collaboration, clearing up confusion, and working for the best interests of the residents of Flint so they can understand what is and/or remains in their water.

Best Regards,

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From:

Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 6:53 AM

To: Scott Smith <ssmith@waterdefense.org>, Ben Ranger <**Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**>

Cc: Mark Durno <durno.mark@epa.gov>, Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Workplans for VA Tech

Hi Scott and Ben,

Per your request, please find attached the work plans for the EPA funded Flint work at Virginia Tech.

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham

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202-253-7056 (please note new cell number)

From: Scott Smith <ssmith@waterdefense.org>

Date: Friday, July 29, 2016 at 6:45 PM

To: Mark Durno <durno.mark@epa.gov>, Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, Micah Ragland <Ragland.Micah@epa.gov>

Cc: Ben Ranger <**Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**>, Harold Harrington <ualocal370@comcast.net>

Subject: Virginia Tech gets EPA grant to re-test Flint water for lead | MLive.com

Marc / Nancy / Micah,

Based on this prior announcement below, it appears Virginia Tech did receive the funds from the EPA – question is how is this connected exactly to Marc Edwards and Flintwaterstudy.org in in sources/uses of the grant funds?

Where are the disclosures on how Flintwaterstudy.org connects with Virginia Tech and potential use of the funds from the EPA? It is confusing and appears to the public that Flintwaterstudy.org may be the official communication related to the EPA funding of Virginia Tech / Marc Edwards.

http://www.mlive.com/news/flint/index.ssf/2016/03/virginia_tech_returns_to_flint.html

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On 7/25/16, 11:28 AM, "Scott Smith" <ssmith@waterdefense.org> wrote:

All,

Below is a link to information on the flintwaterstudy.org web / domain ownership. It appears that this is the vehicle for which Marc Edwards and VA Tech communicate related to their work funded by the EPA.

Appears that Siddhartha Roy is the owner. We are trying to understand how all this fits together with the funding of \$125,000 from the EPA to Marc Edwards and/or his related entities.

<http://www.whois.com/whois/flintwaterstudy.org>

From: Scott Smith <ssmith@waterdefense.org>

Date: Friday, July 22, 2016 at 6:08 PM

To: Mark Durno <durno.mark@epa.gov>, Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, Micah Ragland <Ragland.Micah@epa.gov>

Cc: Ben Ranger [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy], Harold Harrington <ualocal370@comcast.net>

Subject: Thanks / Follow Up / Flint Water Study Updates | Up-to-date information on our collaborative research and citizen science work with the residents of Flint, MI in light of reported water quality issues

Mark / Nancy / Michah,

Thanks for the call today and I remain optimistic about working alongside the UA370 with Ben and Harold along with a professional and collaborative relationship with the EPA for the benefit of the Flint community.

In an effort of fact gathering to help clear up confusion and work towards the retraction of false and misleading information, below is the link to Flintwaterstudy.org and their various publications:

<http://flintwaterstudy.org/>

Questions:

1. Given that the EPA funded Marc Edwards to date for \$125,000 for testing, what is the scope of the work and what entity received the funds? Was the entity receiving the funds from the EPA VA Tech, Marc Edwards personally, or Flintwaterstudy.org?
2. Note from the statements made on the Flintwaterstudy.org website it appears they are referring to work that was funded by the EPA. If so, was the press conference done by Marc Edwards where he recently propagated false and misleading information about work done by Water Defense and the UA funded by the EPA?
3. In the interest of transparency related to the EPA funding of Marc Edwards, shouldn't there be a public disclosure relating to the details of the funds / scope of work / entities related to Marc Edwards and a corresponding sources and uses of the funds? If there already was a public disclosure then we missed it and please send us the link to the information.
4. Do you know the costs of Marc Edwards work and the profit he has made (if any) from the EPA funding?
5. I have attached an example of the communications sent out by Marc Edwards making false assertions relating to my work with Water Defense and the UA370 in Flint. It is concerning that Marc Edwards holds himself out in this e-mail to be working on the Federal Response while making false allegations against me, Water Defense, and others. I am sure you can understand the confusion here and conclusions being drawn by people.

Best Regards,

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From: Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Date: Monday, July 18, 2016 at 11:55 AM

To: Scott Smith <ssmith@waterdefense.org>, Mark Durno <durno.mark@epa.gov>

Cc: Ben Ranger **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

Subject: RE: Follow-Up to today's call

The information below if correct.

Thanks ng

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From: Scott Smith [mailto:ssmith@waterdefense.org]
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 10:31 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Durno, Mark <durno.mark@epa.gov>
Cc: Ben Ranger [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]
Subject: Re: Follow-Up to today's call

Nancy,

Thanks for this information and to confirm is this in addition to the prior \$80,000 now making the total \$125,245?

Best Regards,

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From: Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, July 18, 2016 at 10:22 AM
To: Mark Durno <durno.mark@epa.gov>, Scott Smith <:ssmith@waterdefense.org>
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Subject: RE: Follow-Up to today's call

Hi all –

Following up on the call last Friday – Scott's request re: the amount of grant funding to Marc Edwards for the current comparative work he is doing -- \$45,245.

Thanks ng

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